



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery
Meeting Minutes**

August 27, 2021
9:00 a.m.

On August 27, 2021 the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery held a webinar meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Alex Sobel, DO, Vice Chair
Patrice Konschuh, Public Member
Lisa Galbraith, DO
Sharon Gundersen, PHD, Public Member
Kevin Ware, DO
Yuri Tsurulnikov, DO
Kim Morrisette, DO

STAFF PRESENT

Tracie Drake, Program Manager
Renee Fullerton, Executive Director
Davis Hylkema, Assistant Program Manager
Michelle Hartman, Administrative Assistant
Ashley Maxwell, Supervising Staff Attorney

GUESTS:

Kseniya Efremova (DOH)
Melissa Johnson
Katerina LaMarche
Eduard Rasputkov
Shelby Wiedmann

GUEST SPEAKER:

Hyon Yi, Credentialing Supervisor, Office of
Customer Service

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Roger Ludwig, DO, Chair, called the open public meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

- 1.1 Introductions of the board and staff.
- 1.2 The board approved the August 27, 2021 agenda as presented.
- 1.3 The board approved the June 25, 2021 business meeting minutes as presented.

2. Exception Application Matrix Discussion

Hyon Yi, credentialing supervisor, provided an overview of the exception application process within the Office of Customer Service. Ms. Fullerton reviewed the exception application process with the board and discussed options for developing a matrix of charges to delegate the authority to approve those applications within the Office of Customer Service.

The board agreed to develop a matrix for exception applications.

3. Postgraduate Training Investigative Letter

The board discussed whether to continue requiring applicants to provide Training Investigative Letters for verification of postgraduate training.

MOTION: A motion was made to discontinue requiring the Training Investigative Letter for verification of postgraduate training. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

4. Office-based Anesthesia Rules

4.1 The board reviewed the previously approved revised language for WAC 246-853-650, Safe and effective analgesia and anesthesia administration in office-based settings.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the revised language and move forward with filing the CR 102 for WAC 246-853-650, Safe and effective analgesia and anesthesia administration in office-based settings. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

4.2 The board discussed appointing board members to a workgroup to approve accrediting entities who apply for acceptance by the board.

The board decided to appoint members on an as needed basis, instead of creating a workgroup to approve accrediting entities who apply for acceptance from the board.

5. Health Equity Continuing Education Workgroup

Dr. Galbraith volunteered to attend the health equity continuing education workgroup meetings and provide updates to the board.

6. Repeal of Osteopathic Physician Assistant Rules

6.1 **246-854 WAC** - The board discussed repealing 246-854 WAC, Osteopathic Physician rules.
6.2 **246-855 WAC** - The board discussed repealing 246-855 WAC, Osteopathic physicians' acupuncture assistants' rules.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve moving forward with filing the CR 105 to repeal WAC 246-854 & WAC 246-855. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

7. Summer 2021 Newsletter

The board reviewed the Summer 2021 Newsletter.

MOTION: A motion was made to publish the Summer newsletter as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

8. Correspondence

There were no correspondences received.

9. Program Reports

9.1 Budget update

Ms. Fullerton provided an overview of the budget. Overall, the revenue is very stable and looking to end the biennium higher than anticipated. Disciplinary cost continues to be the greatest expense. The board opted to have budget updates presented quarterly instead of each meeting.

10. Open Forum

The purpose of the open forum is to provide the public an opportunity to address the board on issues of significance to or affecting osteopathic medical practice and that are not related to topics for which a rules hearing was or will be scheduled.

There was no public comment.

11. Future Business

No future business was discussed.

12. Adjournment of public meeting

The public meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

15. Discipline, Settlement Presentations and Licensing

The board attended to licensing and disciplinary matters in closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Drake, Program Manager

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